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## STATE PREVENTION INVENTORY - WISCONSIN PROFILE

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### STATE PREVENTION SYSTEM

#### Structure and Organization

The lead agency in Wisconsin combating alcohol, tobacco, and other drug (ATOD) abuse is the Bureau of Substance Abuse Services. The Bureau is a component of the Division of Supportive Living, which itself is a unit of the Department of Health and Family Services. Within the Bureau is the Program and System Development Section, which – until recently – was responsible for all ATOD prevention activities throughout the State. In 1996, the newly-created Division of Children and Family Services was charged with providing a more integrated and comprehensive approach to the provision of prevention services. Contained within this new Bureau is the Prevention Coordinator. The Bureau of Substance Abuse Services and the Bureau of Community and Family Development collaborate in the planning and delivery of substance abuse prevention services. Wisconsin is divided into six substate planning regions and operates under a State-supervised, county-administered service system. Wisconsin has a strong county system of government, and each of the State's 72 counties is involved in the delivery of substance abuse prevention services through its county-based Community Services Boards. These Boards can deliver services directly or subcontract to local service providers.

An advisory council advises the Bureau of Substance Abuse Services. Denoted the State Council on Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse, members of this council consist of the Governor, four members of the State legislature, representatives of other State agencies, the chairperson of the Pharmacy Examining Board, a representative of the Controlled Substances Board, a provider agency, six consumer representatives, and a provider representative. The State council coordinates and reviews the Bureau's ATOD prevention and control efforts, assesses program effectiveness, educates and informs the public, and makes recommendations for legislation.

The Bureaus of Substance Abuse Services and Community and Family Development draw upon several sources of funding for prevention programs:

- The prevention set-aside from the SAPT Block Grant
- The Governor's discretionary portion of the Drug-Free Schools and Communities funds
- State General Program revenue

The Bureau of Substance Abuse Services administers the SAPT Block Grant. Approximately one-half of the entire SAPT Block Grant is distributed – by means of a pre-determined formula – as a base allocation contract to each county Community Services Board. Areas at high risk for ATOD problems receive supplemental funds. The Bureau requires that each county board adhere to the various Federal requirements, including the mandatory 20% primary prevention set-aside.

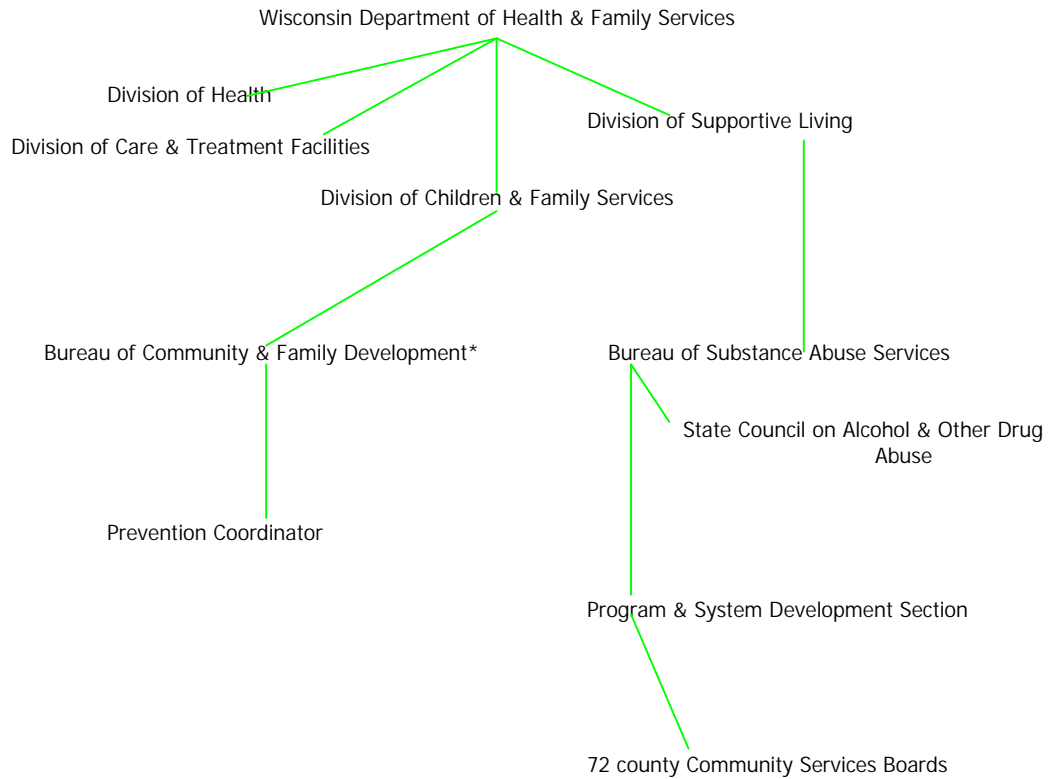
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### Organizational Chart



\* Overall prevention activities are housed within this recently-created Bureau.

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### FUNDING AND RESOURCES

Year (FFY)	State Funding	SAPT Funding	20% Set-aside
1993	\$3,939,921	\$18,674,361	\$4,421,780
1994	3,939,921	19,956,963	4,192,600
1995	3,939,921	21,838,831	4,441,882

#### Allocation of Funds

CSAP Strategy	FFY 1993	FFY 1994	FFY 1995
Information Dissemination	\$1,229,764	\$1,165,543	\$1,213,715
Education	822,724	779,824	812,054
Alternatives	741,849	703,518	729,102
Problem Identification and Referral	464,630	440,223	458,418
Environmental	326,842	310,252	327,441
Community-based Process	835,971	793,240	825,152
Other	0	0	76,000*

\*Synar Amendment compliance.

Resource Spending	FFY 1993	FFY 1994	FFY 1995
Planning, Coordination, and Needs Assessment	\$0	\$0	\$0
Quality Assurance	0	0	0
Training (post-employment)	0	0	0
Education (pre-employment)	0	0	0
Program Development	0	0	0
Research and Evaluation	0	0	0
Information Systems	0	0	0

#### Substate entities receiving set-aside funds for prevention service delivery

- 6 substate planning regions
- 72 county Community Services Boards

#### Average amount of grant/contract:

- FFY 1993 – \$50,714
- FFY 1994 – \$49,325
- FFY 1995 – \$50,836

#### Per-capita 20% set-aside spending (population):

- FFY 1993 - \$0.88
- FFY 1994 - \$0.82
- FFY 1995 - \$0.88

#### Staff/Volunteers designated and supported by set-aside funding and level:

- FFY 1993 –
  - State: 1.5 FTE
  - Regional: 0 FTE
  - Local: 72 \*
- FFY 1994 –
  - State: 1.5 FTE
  - Regional: 0 FTE
  - Local: 72
- FFY 1995 –
  - State: 1.5 FTE
  - Regional: 0 FTE
  - Local: 72

\*Estimate, provided by Director, Bureau of Substance Abuse Services.

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## PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

### Definition of Prevention:

Prevention strategies are designed to be implemented before the onset of problems and may be targeted to the larger community or to specific populations. Prevention provides people with the resources necessary to confront stressful life conditions and avoid behaviors which could result in negative physical, psychological or social outcomes by:

- Promoting cultural competency and awareness;
- Promoting awareness, knowledge, competency or skills;
- Promoting self esteem and self reliance;
- Promoting increased coping ability;
- Promoting support systems in families, schools, work places and community environments;
- Promoting conditions for healthy lifestyles and resistance to physical and psychological illness and disease; and
- Promoting environmental conditions for a healthy community.

### Does the State have prevention plan?

Yes, the *Wisconsin Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Five Year Strategic Plan*.

### Target populations for prevention services:

- General public
- Pre-teens and teens
- Cultural groups (including American Indian high risk youth)
- Pregnant women

### Total Number served:

- FFY 1993 – N/A\*
- FFY 1994 – N/A
- FFY 1995 – 1,287,140

\*Data not available from State.

### Programs funded:

Type	Number of Programs/Number Served*			Programs
	FFY 1993	FFY 1994	FFY 1995	
Information Dissemination	4	4	4	Statewide clearinghouse; Prevention Resource Center; statewide media campaign; "Pass It On" (teen newsletter)
Education	84	84	84	Classroom/small group sessions; parenting/family management classes; peer leader/helper programs; children of substance abusers groups

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	FFY 1993	FFY 1994	FFY 1995	
Problem identification and referral	84	84	84	Families and Schools Together (FAST); Milwaukee Fighting Back; employee assistance programs; student assistance programs
Community-based processes	110	110	110	Milwaukee Fighting Back; Neighborhood Drug Use & Violence Prevention Project (Green Bay); community and volunteer training
Environmental	110	110	110	Modification of alcohol and tobacco advertising practices; technical assistance to communities to maximize local ATOD enforcement; review of ATOD use policies in schools and communities
Alternatives	110	110	110	Career Youth Development's Substance Abuse Prevention Program; TRAILS Program – Oneida Indian Reservation; drug-free dances and parties; community service activities

\*In Wisconsin, counties are not required to report on the number of individuals served under each of the six prevention strategies.

## DATA COLLECTION ACTIVITIES

### Results currently available on prevention programs funded by the 20% set-aside (including needs assessment and data collection):

Wisconsin does not have a formal prevention needs assessment process. Focus groups and surveys are implemented at the community level. Two recent statewide surveys include:

- Wisconsin Indicator Report – a county-by-county comparison of at-risk activities.
- Youth Risk Behavior Survey – contains prevalence rates of at-risk behavior.

## SUPPORT SERVICES

### Training and Technical Assistance:

Training and Technical assistance is provided under contract through the WI Clearinghouse on Prevention resources. Individual contracts are also developed to support special needs such as curriculum development, research, or training regarding emerging issues. The SSA and Bureau of Community and Family Development also provide training and technical assistance where needed.

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### **Certification Activities:**

Wisconsin has proposed to maintain a Prevention Specialist Registry. This Registry, developed by the Department of Health and Social Services, offers a proficiency examination designed to assess the individual's expertise in 11 domains, including program administration, public relations, communication skills, and HIV/AIDS.

A general prevention certification is offered via an independent State Certification Board. The Wisconsin Certification Board, Inc., offers the following levels of prevention certification:

- Certified Prevention Professional
- Registered Prevention Specialist
- Registered Prevention Worker

There is one level of prevention certification and two levels of prevention registration. The registration levels were designed to act as a career ladder for those individuals seeking to become a Certified Prevention Professional (CPP). They were also designed to identify those individuals successfully working in any of the three identified levels of prevention services.